

FEBRUARY 4, 1837.

Read twice, and committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. SUTHERLAND, from the Committee on Commerce, reported the following bill:

**A BILL**

Making appropriations for the improvement of certain harbors therein mentioned, for the year one thousand eight hundred and thirty-seven.

1       *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives*  
2       *of the United States of America, in Congress assembled, That,*  
3       for the security of the navigation and commerce of the United  
4       States, the following sums be, and are hereby, appropriated, to  
5       be paid out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropri-  
6       ated, and to be applied to the following objects; that is to say:

7                       **NEW HAMPSHIRE.**

8       For the improvement of the harbor of Portsmouth, by  
9       erecting a breakwater between Newcastle and Goat island, five  
10      thousand dollars.

11                      **MASSACHUSETTS.**

12      For deepening the entrance into the harbor of Manchester,  
13      five thousand dollars.

14                      **CONNECTICUT.**

15      For improving the harbor of Westbrook, thirteen thousand  
16      dollars;

17 For improving the harbor of Stamford, according to the  
 18 plan reported by Lieutenant Bache, of the engineer corps, to the  
 19 War Department, six thousand dollars ;

20 For improving the harbor of Norwalk, on Long Island  
 21 sound, according to the plan of Hartman Bache, of the engineer  
 22 corps, six thousand dollars.

### 23 NEW YORK.

24 For the improvement of the harbor of Silver creek, on Lake  
 25 Erie, eleven thousand three hundred and thirty-two dollars and  
 26 twenty-five cents ;

27 For the improvement of the harbor at the mouth of Big  
 28 Sandy creek, in Jefferson county, on Lake Ontario, nine thou-  
 29 sand two hundred dollars ;

30 For the construction of a breakwater at Sag Harbor, six-  
 31 teen thousand dollars ;

32 For building a breakwater or pier at the harbor of Port  
 33 Kent, ten thousand dollars ;

34 For the improvement of the harbor at Little Sodus bay, on  
 35 Lake Ontario, five thousand dollars ;

36 For the improvement of the harbor at the mouth of Twen-  
 37 ty Mile creek, on Lake Erie, four thousand five hundred dollars ;

38 For the improvement of the harbor of Van Buren, on Lake  
 39 Erie, twenty thousand dollars ;

40 For improving the harbor at the mouth of Eighteen Mile  
 41 creek, on Lake Ontario, seven thousand dollars.

## NEW JERSEY.

For the improvement of the harbor of Newark, by the removal of a sand-bar at the confluence of the Passaic and Hackensack rivers, fifteen thousand dollars;

For the improvement of the harbor of Port Elizabeth, fifteen thousand dollars.

## PENNSYLVANIA.

For constructing a harbor at the mouth of Elk creek, on Lake Erie, ten thousand dollars;

For erecting piers at the mouth of Twenty Mile creek, on Lake Erie, four thousand five hundred dollars;

## DELAWARE.

For erecting piers at Reedy island, ten thousand dollars;

For erecting piers at Delaware City, at or near the mouth of the Delaware and Chesapeake canal, fifteen thousand dollars.

## MARYLAND.

For the improvement of the harbor of Havre-de-Grace, twenty thousand dollars.

## VIRGINIA.

For improving the harbor of Richmond, by removing the bars in James river, below the city of Richmond, twenty-four thousand seven hundred dollars.

## NORTH CAROLINA.

For opening a communication from Lockwood's Folly river

66 to Elizabeth river, running into Smithville harbor, eight thou-  
 67 sand dollars.

68 **OHIO.**

69 For a harbor at the mouth of Chagrin river, eight thou-  
 70 sand dollars;

71 For the improvement of the Maumee river, below the ra-  
 72 pids, twenty thousand dollars;

73 For the improvement of the harbor of Cleaveland, by the  
 74 construction of a breakwater at the mouth of Cuyahoga river, on  
 75 Lake Erie, ten thousand dollars;

76 For the improvement of Manhattan harbor, according to  
 77 the plan and estimate recommended by Captain H. Smith, of  
 78 the United States engineer corps, seven thousand dollars.

79 **ILLINOIS.**

80 For the construction of a harbor at the mouth of the Little  
 81 Calumet river, Lake Michigan, according to the plan recom-  
 82 mended by Lieutenant Allen, of the United States army, fifteen  
 83 thousand dollars.

84 **MICHIGAN.**

85 For improving the harbor of Clinton, on Clinton river, on  
 86 Lake Saint Clair, five thousand dollars;

87 For improving the harbor of Kalamazoo, fifteen thousand  
 88 dollars;

89 For improving the harbor of New Buffalo, at the mouth of

90 Gallien river, according to the plan recommended by the report  
 91 of Lieutenant Berrien, of the United States army, ten thousand  
 92 dollars,

93 **WISCONSIN.**

94 For the construction of a harbor at the mouth of Root  
 95 river, on Lake Michigan, twenty thousand dollars;

96 For the construction of a harbor at the mouth of Milwau-  
 97 kee river, on Lake Michigan, twenty-five thousand dollars.

98 **FLORIDA.**

99 For improving the harbor of Saint Augustine, according to  
 100 the report of the United States engineers, thirty-five thousand  
 101 dollars;

102 For removing a mud shoal in the west pass into Appalachi-  
 103 cola river, ten thousand dollars;

104 For removing obstructions in the Suwanee river, in Flori-  
 105 da, ten thousand dollars.

1 **SEC. 2.** *And be it further enacted,* That the reports upon  
 2 all the aforesaid surveys shall contain a statement of all such  
 3 facts within the knowledge of the engineers, respectively,  
 4 making the surveys, as are or may be in any way materially  
 5 connected with the proposed improvements; and, also, with  
 6 estimates, in detail, of the sums of money necessary for such  
 7 improvements, respectively; and, in all the harbor improve-

8 ments authorized by this act, it shall be the duty of the  
9 department intrusted with the construction of the works to  
10 make a new survey, if the same should be deemed necessary,  
11 prior to commencing said works.